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Remarks:

The amendments and remarks presented herein are believed to be fully responsive to the Office Action dated December 7, 2004.

Claims 1-30 and 52-56 are pending in the application. Claims 31-51 have been canceled herein without prejudice and new claims 55 and 56 have been added.

ALLOWED CLAIMS

Claims 1-30 and 52-54 are allowed.

CLAIM REJECTIONS

Claims 31-51 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as allegedly failing to comply with the written description requirement. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112. However, in order to expedite prosecution and allowance of the claims, and without acquiescing in the rejection in any way, Applicants have canceled claims 31-51.

Claims 1-30 and 52-56 are pending in the application. Applicants respectfully submit that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is earnestly and respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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